



Docket No.: 1330.1097

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Rodrigo LOUREIRO

Serial No. 09/739,747.

Group Art Unit: 2683

Confirmation No. 4982

Filed: December 20, 2000

Examiner: Zewdu, Meless Nmn

For: A METHOD FOR CREATING SELF-BUILT CUSTOMER HIERARCHIES

**COMMENT ON THE EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Notice of Allowability mailed April 21, 2005, includes an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance (hereafter, the "Statement").

Please note that MPEP §1302.14 states, in part:

Where specific reasons are recorded by the examiner, care must be taken to ensure that statements of reasons for allowance (or indication of allowable subject matter) are accurate, precise and do not place unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow upon the claims. The examiner should keep in mind the possible misinterpretations of his or her statement that may be made and its possible estoppel effects.

It is respectfully submitted that the Statement paraphrases claim language, and does not accurately quote the specific language of the various claims. It is respectfully submitted that such paraphrasing is not proper "reasons for allowance" as directed by 37 C.F.R. §1.104 and as explained in M.P.E.P. §1302.14.

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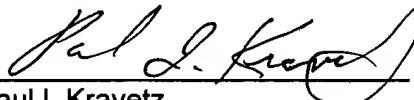
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It is further submitted that the claims speak for themselves and should not be interpreted based on the Examiner's paraphrasing of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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